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Examiner : A. Chevalier

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

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In the Office Action dated September 23, 2002, the Examiner required restriction to one of the following inventions:

Group I - Claims 1-15

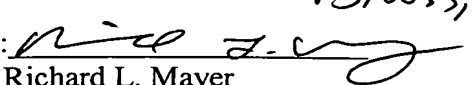
Group II - Claims 16-25

Accordingly, applicants hereby elect, without traverse, the claims of Group I, i.e., claims 1-15.

An early and favorable action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

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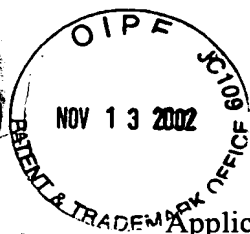
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SIR:

Please find a Response to Restriction Requirement transmitted herewith for filing  
in the above-identified patent application. Applicants respectfully request a one-month  
extension of time in which to respond to the Office Action dated September 23, 2002, for which  
a response period expiring on October 23, 2002 was set. The extended period expires on  
November 23, 2002.

Please charge the \$110.00 extension fee and any additional fees required to  
Deposit Account No. 11-0600. A duplicate copy of this Transmittal is enclosed.

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